



# Leveraging the beneficial impact of Migration on Youth in Countries of Origin: The case of El Salvador

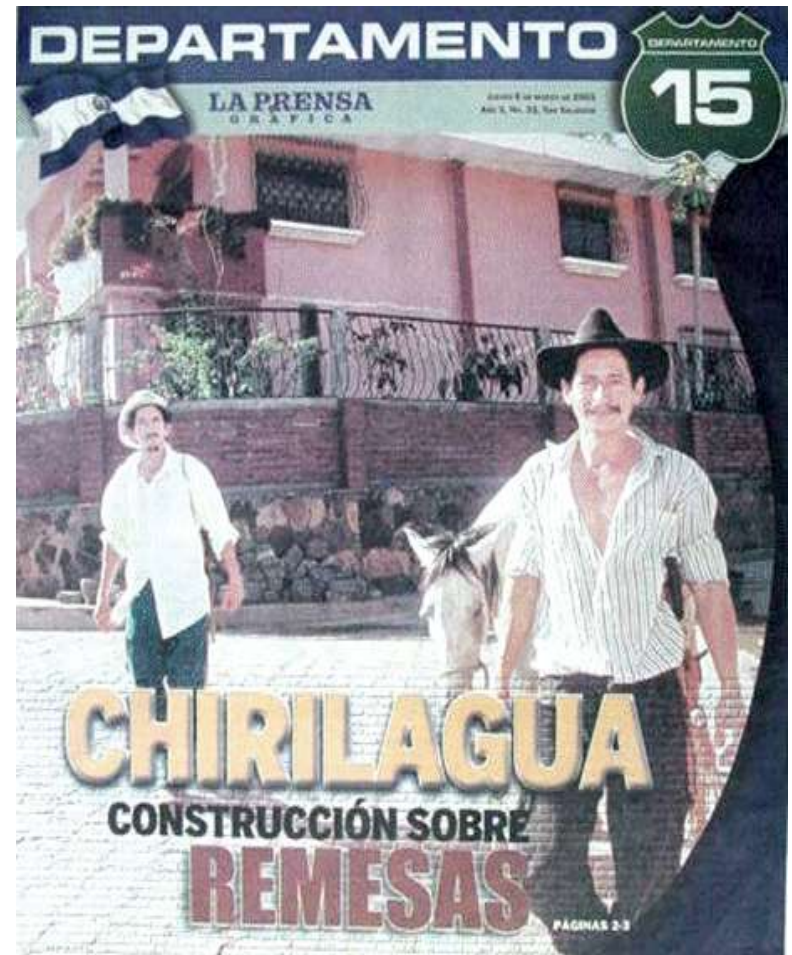
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# Salvadorian migration

- 🌐 **2.8 millions of Salvadorians live outside the country (including second & third generations)**
- 🌐 **¼ of our total populations lives abroad. 90% lives in the USA.**
- 🌐 **Other destinations: Canada, Central American, México, Australia, Italy, Sweden**

## Dynamic of migrations:

- **Years 50's-70's:**  
professional and voluntary migration.
- **Years 80's-90's:**  
Migration as a result of arm conflict and violence
- **Years 2000's-2011's:**  
Different factors, including violence, family reunion, voluntary.



# El Salvador: Migration Agreements

## CANADA:

- Refugees
- Asylum
- Temporary workers program

## USA:

- TPS
- Ley NACARA

## Spain:

- Regularization program

## MEXICO:

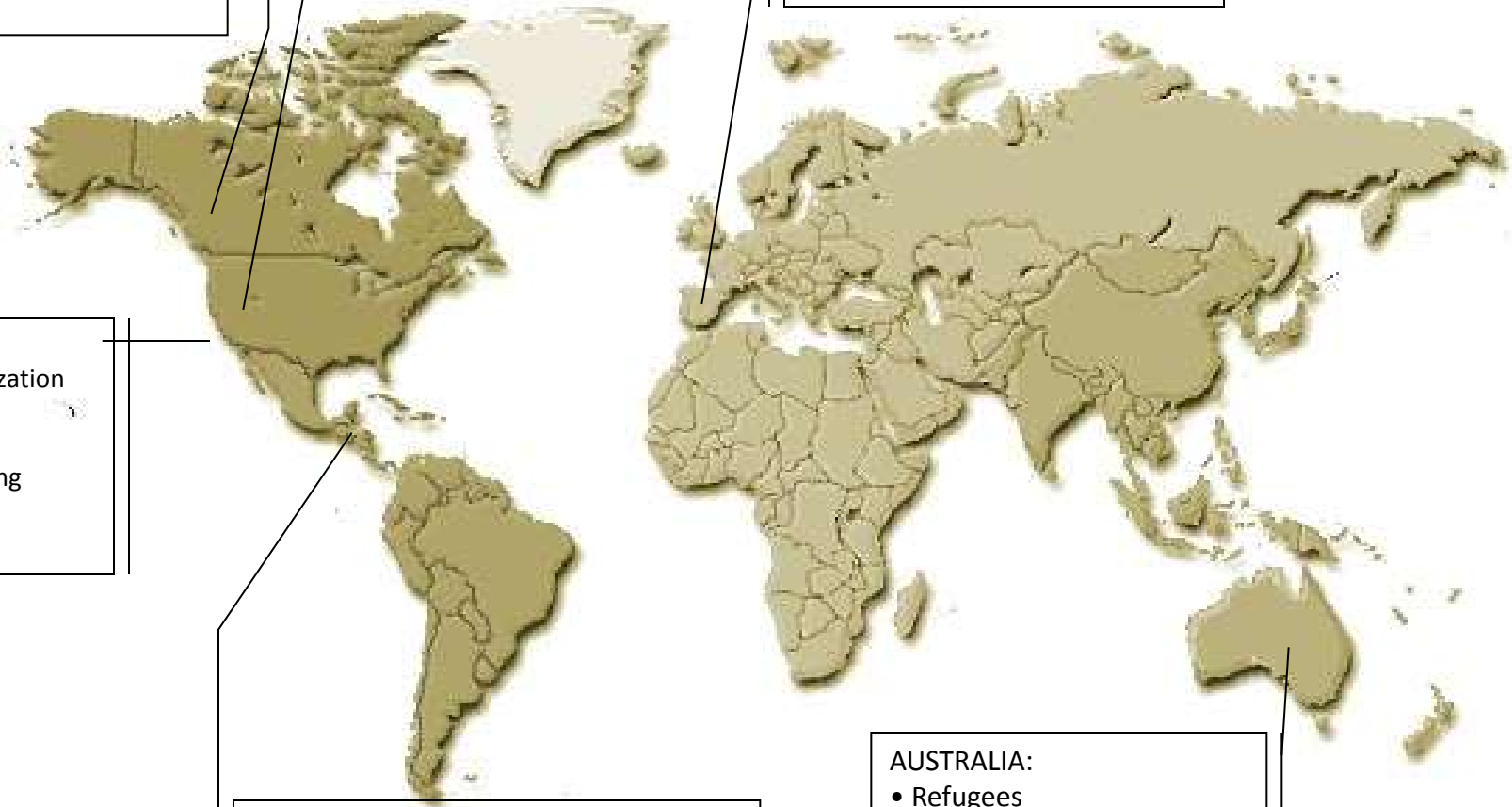
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- Trafficking

## GUATEMALA:

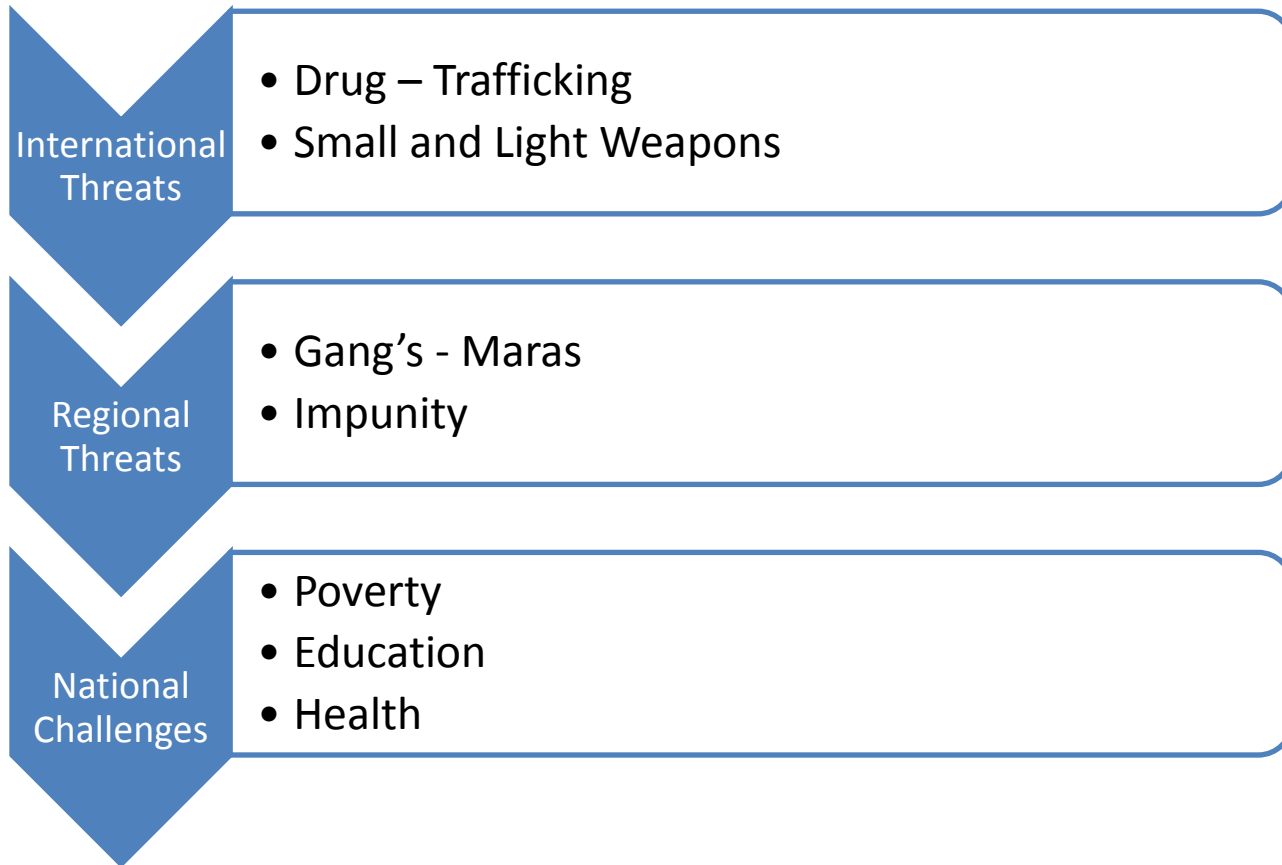
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## AUSTRALIA:

- Refugees
- Asylum
- Temporary workers program



# External and Internal threats on Youth



# Positive impact of migration on Youth

- Implementation of several programs on Sports, Cultural activities, tourism, education.
- Global perspective of local problems
- Improve of economic situation of households
- Adjustment to a new environment in recipient countries
- Active role of diasporas in their local communities



# Role of diasporas in local communities



Cancha de basketball, La Laguna,  
Chalatenango  
Comunidad Los Ángeles



Escuela Cantón El Chiquirín, La Unión  
Comunidad Washington



Muelle en Laguna de Olomega  
Comunidad Houston

## Negative impact of migration on Youth

- Family disruption
- Gang's activities
- Drug consumption
- Role of older people in the education of youth



# EL SALVADOR: INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL TREATHS



Plan of  
Government  
2009-2014

Social  
Development

Economic  
growth





Thank you